

Meeting Minutes Transmittal

WESF
Project Managers Meeting
825 Jadwin/Room 340
Hanford, Washington
October 28, 2004

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Kathy Conaway for Rick Bond Date: 12-16-04
Project Manager, Ecology

RD Hildebrand Date: 12-16-04
Project Manager Representative, RL

Paul W. Manion Date: 12/16/2004
Project Manager Representative, FH WMP

WESF Administrative Record
RD Hildebrand
FW Bond
KA Conaway
FM Simmons

H6-08
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H0-57
H0-57
H8-40

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9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Agenda

- I. Approval of September 23, 2004 WESF Project Meeting Minutes (Ecology/DOE-RL/FH)
- II. Operational Status
- III. Project Specific Issues
 - A. LLW Determination
 - B. Part B Permit Application status
 - C. Status of Milestones
- IV. General Discussions
- V. Status of Actions
- VI. New Action Items
- VII. Next Project Managers Meeting

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I. Approval of September 23, 2004 WESF Project Meeting Minutes (Ecology/DOE-RL/FH)

II. Operational Status (Fen Simmons FH)

- Fen Simmons stated that there were no operational changes to report for the month of September 2004. The prep work for the annual inner capsule movement test is continuing. The facility still plans to prepare a technical justification to present to RL and Ecology to discontinue the test next year.

III. Project Specific Issues

A. LLW Determination

Mr. Simmons stated that the low level waste determination is a long-term issue that won't be decided for several years. After a brief discussion, the parties agreed to discontinue carrying this item on the agenda until there are issues to discuss.

B. Part B Permit Application status

Rick Bond (Ecology) stated that he reviewed the Part B permit, and that he had a few minor comments which were mainly editorial. Kathy Conaway (Ecology) stated that her review of the Part B would begin sometime in November 2004. Ecology noted that dry storage was included in the Part B. Joel Williams (FH) responded that dry storage was still being considered at the time the draft permit was prepared. Ms. Conaway indicated that removal of references to dry storage in the permit will be addressed in the NOD workshops.

C. Status of milestones

Mr. Simmons stated that Jan Pennock (FH) has indicated that the engineering department would like to declare milestone M-92-01 complete based on the upgrades that have been done at the facility. Mr. Simmons and Mr. Bond noted that the milestone is not clearly defined, and a discussion ensued regarding the intent of the milestone. Steve Lowe (FH) stated that the milestone requires repackaging of the capsules, modifications and upgrades to the facility, and consolidation of the capsules at WESF. All of these activities have been completed.

Mr. Bond inquired about the final due date for the milestone. Mr. Simmons responded that it was in 2009. Mr. Bond then asked if the milestone should remain open until the due date in case more upgrades were needed. It was agreed to set up a meeting with Jan Pennock to discuss the milestone in November 2004, and Mr. Simmons will set up the meeting. Ecology agreed to come prepared to the next PMM with a decision about closing the milestone.

A discussion was held regarding Milestone M-92-05, which requires a decision by 2007 on whether to send the capsules to the vitrification plant or to Yucca Mountain. Mr. Simmons noted that Yucca Mountain won't be in a position by 2007 to make a decision whether to accept the capsules because their waste acceptance criteria won't be completed until 2010 or later. If the decision is made to send the capsules to the vitrification plant, the plant has to be notified by 2012 so it can plan for the necessary modifications.

Doug Hildebrand (RL) stated that he notified the pertinent group at the vitrification plant regarding the contents of the capsules so they can evaluate whether the capsules can be accepted. Mr. Bond also requested that Mr. Hildebrand contact Kevin Basil to discuss the issue.

IV. General Discussions

- A. There were no topics for general discussion.

V. Status of Actions

- A. 933-Ecology will provide a final determination at the next PMM whether to close this action.
- C. 973-Remains under review at Ecology. Removal of references to dry storage in the permit will be addressed in the NOD workshops.
- D. 1028- Yucca Mountain won't be in a position by 2007 to make a decision whether to accept the capsules because their waste acceptance criteria won't be completed until 2010 or later. If the decision is made to send the capsules to the vitrification plant, the plant has to be notified by 2012 so it can plan for necessary modifications. Doug Hildebrand has notified the pertinent group at the vitrification plant regarding the contents of the capsules so they can evaluate whether the capsules can be accepted.

VI. New Action Items

- A. Mr. Simmons will set up a meeting with Ecology in November 2004 to discuss closing milestone M-92-01. Ecology will be prepared to provide a decision on closing the milestone at the next PMM.

VII. Next Project Managers Meeting

- A. The November PMM was canceled, and the next meeting was scheduled for December 16, 2004.

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